

DOBBS FERRY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Dobbs Ferry, New York 10522

COURSE OUTLINE

SUBJECT: Music Studio

GRADES: 8

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is offered to all students who are interested in furthering their study of general music knowledge through a technology-based course. Music Studio will meet every other day for all 4 marking quarters. Upon completion of the course, students will be able to demonstrate mastery of a variety of musical concepts including musical vocabulary, listening discrimination skills, music creation, and music theory.

ANTICIPATED STUDENT OUTCOMES

Components of Music

- Musical Terminology
- Pitch notation
- Rhythmic notation
- Understanding of Melody vs. Harmony
- Instrumentation
- Keyboard Skills

Music Technology (using knowledge from above)

- Develop computer skills for software program Garage Band
- Compose music in the style from different genres and cultures of music using pre-recording loops, software, and real instruments.
- Create original composition using musical components learned
- Write and produce reports using Podcast Reports on musicians from different time periods
- Create Ring tones

MATERIALS

The class meets in the Mac lab, and all work will be done on computers.

CRITERIA for ASSESSMENT

Student grade will be based on individual effort/participation, quiz/tests and music projects.